

# COLLEGE READINESS

& EARLY ACADEMIC PREPARATION

Early Academic Preparation

University Outreach & School Relations

California State University, Long Beach

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# YOU CAN DO IT



YOU CAN  
GET IN



YOU CAN  
AFFORD IT

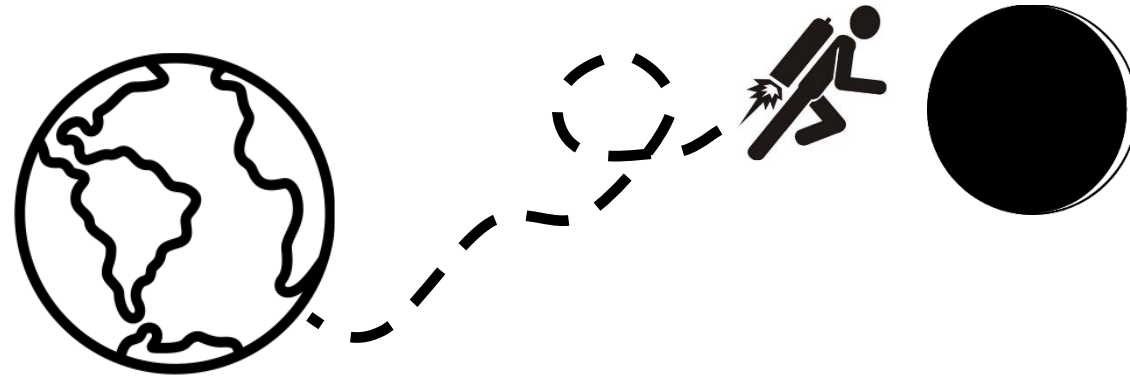


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SUCCEED



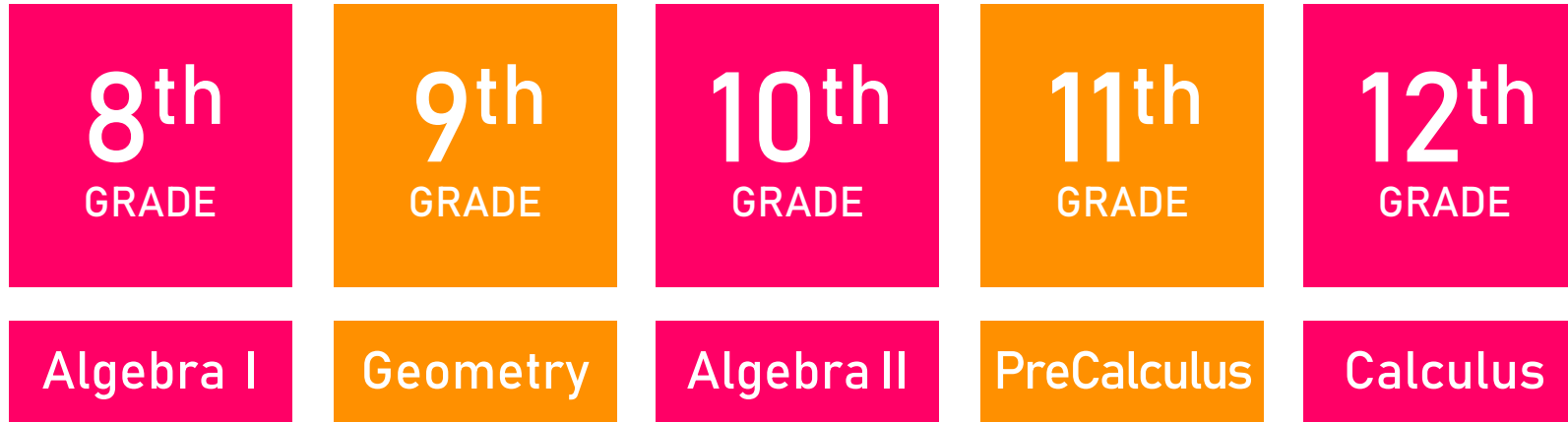
HOW  
CAN I  
GET IN?

# PLAN YOUR PATH



- Start planning now - [californiacolleges.edu](https://californiacolleges.edu)
- Talk about your goals
- Visit the college and career center
- **Ask for help**

# GET FRIENDLY WITH MATH



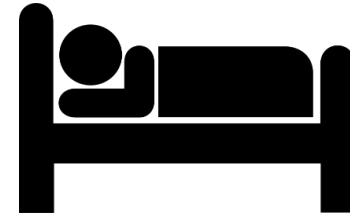
- Get help from friends, teachers, and tutors
- Senior year Calculus for STEM\* majors
- Statistics or other higher math for non-STEM majors
- One semester of college math required for everyone
- **Let your counselor know if you're not on track**

\*STEM = Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math

# DO YOUR BEST



- Show up to class
- Participate & take notes
- Do your homework
- **Don't be afraid to ask for help**



- Stay organized
- Figure out a study routine
- Get lots of sleep
- Visit [csusuccess.org](https://csusuccess.org) for help

# GET INVOLVED



- Community Service
- Clubs
- Honor Societies

- Sports
- Academic Competition
- Student Government



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# STUDY IN CALIFORNIA

UNIVERSITY  
OF  
CALIFORNIA

In-state tuition: \$13,900\*

58% of undergrads don't pay  
tuition out-of-pocket

- 10 Universities
- UCLA, Berkeley, UC Irvine
- Bachelors, Masters, Med school, law, etc.

CSU The California  
State University

In-state tuition: \$7,303\*

60% of undergrads don't pay  
tuition out-of-pocket

- 23 Universities
- CSULB, SDSU, Cal Poly
- Bachelors, Masters, and some doctorates



California  
Community  
Colleges

In-state tuition: \$46/unit\*

FREE TUITION for 2 years for  
CA high school grads

- 114 Community Colleges
- Santa Monica, ELAC, PCC
- Certificates, Associates, Transfer Degrees

\*In-state tuition is available to CA residents, active duty service-members, veterans, and AB540

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# USE FINANCIAL AID



## GIFT AID

Not to be repaid

- Pell Grant: \$6,195
- Cal Grant A & B: \$12,570
- Cal Grant C: \$3,556
- State grants available to AB540 students



## WORK STUDY

Work for your money

- Earn work experience
- Work at your college
- Flexible work hours



## LOANS

Repayment is postponed

- Subsidized – interest builds after graduation
- Unsubsidized – interest builds immediately
- Private – immediate and often higher interest

Apply online at [fafsa.gov](https://fafsa.gov) or [dream.csac.ca.gov](https://dream.csac.ca.gov) for AB540 students

# APPLY FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

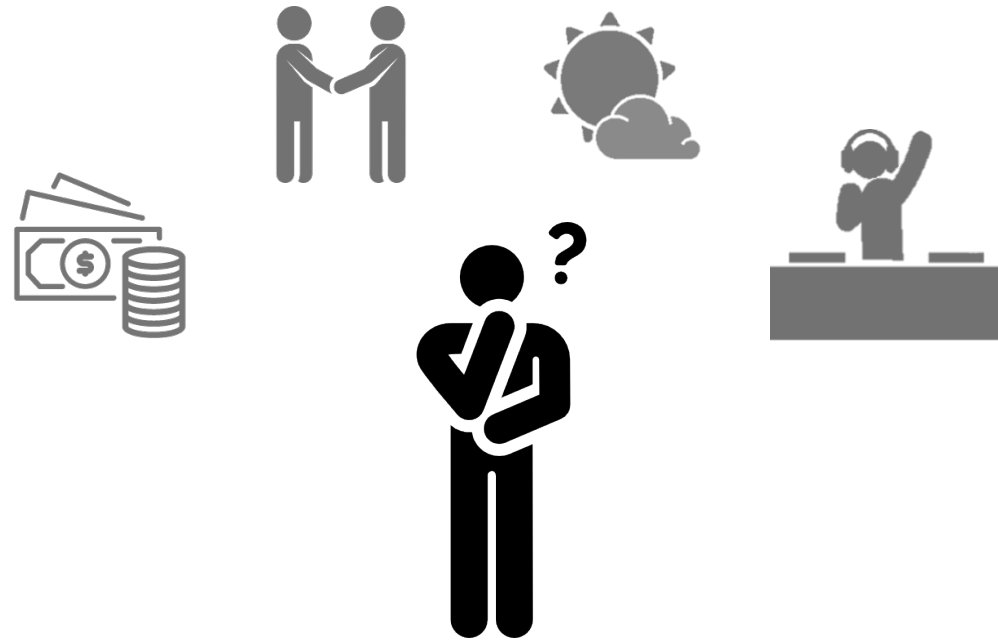


- Earn thousands of dollars by filling out applications and writing essays
- Start your search today – [fastweb.com](https://www.fastweb.com)
- Learn more at [csulb.edu/scholarships](https://csulb.edu/scholarships)



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# SET CLEAR GOALS



- What kind of job do you want?
- What degree does that require?
- What college are you going to?
- Where do you want to live?

# CHOOSE A DEGREE



## VOCATIONAL CERTIFICATES

- 1 to 2 years
- Become an electrician, paralegal, or firefighter
- Start your career early



## ASSOCIATE'S DEGREES

- 2 years
- Become a nurse, physical therapist, or air-traffic controller
- Transfer to a 4 year



## BACHELOR'S DEGREES

- 4 years
- Become an engineer, programmer, or teacher
- Continue to Master's degree

# CHOOSE A SCHOOL



## PUBLIC OPTIONS

- Lowest tuition
- Large, urban campuses
- Wide variety of degrees



## PRIVATE OPTIONS

- Tuition usually higher
- Smaller classes and specialized campuses
- For-profit colleges



## OUT-OF-STATE OPTIONS

- Out-of-state fees
- Undergrad is the best time
- Western Undergraduate Exchange (WUE)

# ASK FOR HELP



- Free tutoring
- Study groups
- Friends in class
- Mentors/advisers
- Counselors
- Student services



# CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY



# ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Earn a High School Diploma or equivalent



Complete the A-G College Prep Courses

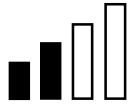


Maintain a Minimum Eligibility Index of 2950



# A-G COLLEGE PREP

A



**History and Social Science – 2 years**

1 year of Social Science + 1 year of U.S. History or 1 semester of U.S. History and 1 semester of American Gov.

B



**English – 4 years**

C



**Math – 4 years recommended**

Minimum 3 years including Algebra II or higher mathematics

D



**Laboratory Science – 3 years recommended**

Minimum 2 years, must include biological and physical science

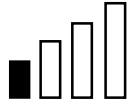
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**Language other than English – 3 years recommended**

Minimum 2 years, at least 2 years in the same language

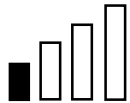
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**Visual and Performing Arts – 1 year**

Dance, Drama, Theater, Music, or Visual Art

G



**College Preparatory Elective – 1 year**

Additional course chosen from the University of California A-G list



# ELIGIBILITY INDEX



## YOU SHOULD KNOW

- The main differences between ACT & SAT
- Free test resources such as Khan Academy
- GPA includes all 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> grade A-G classes

## SAT

READING & MATH

+

A-G GPA x 800

## ACT

COMPOSITE SCORE x 10

+

A-G GPA x 200

## 2950

CSU minimum\*

## 694

CSU minimum\*\*

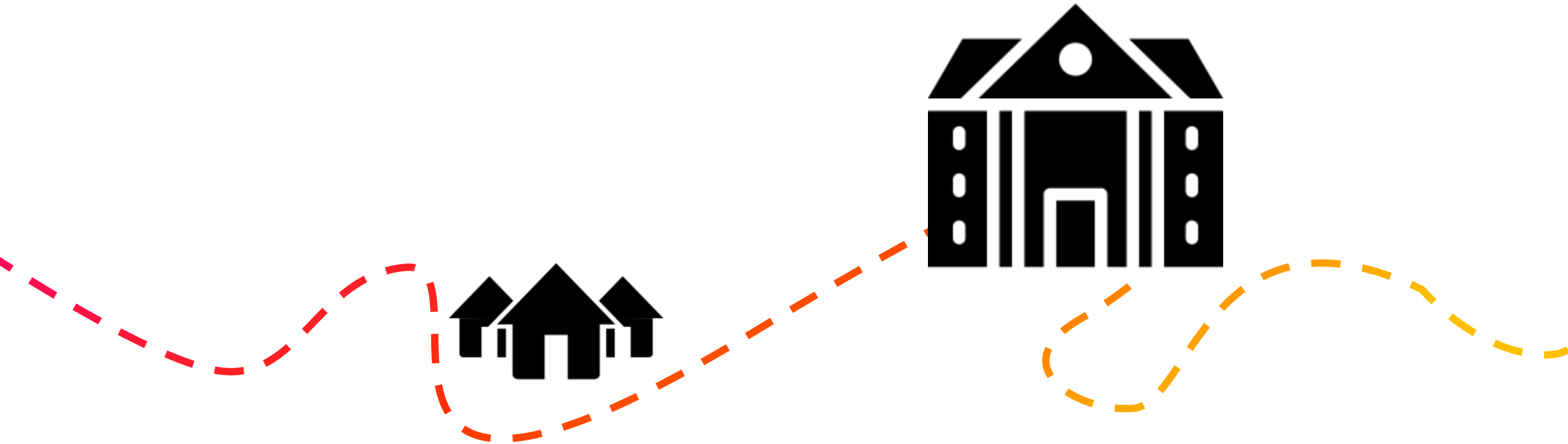
\*CSULB minimum eligibility index is 3200

\*\*CSULB converts ACT scores to SAT scores for index calculations

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# CSU LOCAL PREFERENCE



CSU campuses **guarantee** admission to local students that meet minimum requirements

Some CSU campuses, like San Francisco State, apply local preference to all in-state applicants


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QUESTIONS?